# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL NOTE

HB 180 - SB 210

January 22, 2023

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes, to the extent required by federal law, a vehicle operated by electric motors to exceed established vehicle weight limits up to a maximum gross vehicle weight of 82,000 lbs.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

#### Assumptions:

- As required by 23 U.S.C. § 127(s), a vehicle fueled primarily by natural gas or powered primarily by electric battery power, may exceed the weight limit on the power unit by up to 2,000 pounds for a maximum gross vehicle weight of 82,000 pounds.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 55-7-203(b)(9)(A), a vehicle operated by an engine fueled primarily by natural gas may exceed any established vehicle weight limit, up to a maximum gross vehicle weight of 82,000 lbs, as required by federal law.
- The proposed legislation extends the exception to include vehicles operated by electric motors, aligning state law with existing federal law.
- Authorizing a specified weight limit exception for electric motor vehicles will not alter or burden the operations of any state or local government agency; therefore, any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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